

# South Dakota Advocates for Change

## Key Takeaways Disability Awareness Day 2023

Members of South Dakota Advocates for Change had a successful gathering as part of Disability Awareness Day on February 22, 2023 at the South Dakota State Capitol in Pierre. In addition to spreading awareness of issues that affect people with disabilities, the group had a few key takeaways from the day:



Advocates in attendance enjoyed being introduced in both the House of Representatives and Senate. They felt proud for taking part in the day and expressed that they all want to come back and continue spreading awareness.



Advocates gained knowledge of who their representatives are in their district and realized that they are just like them and are available to talk over coffee, much like a friend or neighbor.



Advocates also voiced that they would like to learn more from state legislators about how to improve bills that impact people with disabilities as well as how to bring more people together to discuss these important issues.